



Forest Insect & Disease Management

REPORT NO.
79-3-40

AERIAL DETECTION SURVEY OF FOREST INSECT AND DISEASE ACTIVITY, ST. FRANCIS NATIONAL FOREST

LAND OWNERSHIP OR SURVEY AREA: St. Francis National Forest

STATE: Arkansas

AREA WITHIN SURVEY BOUNDARY: 29,608 Acres

DATE: September 11, 1979

PERCENT COVERAGE: 50%

AIRCRAFT: Cessna 172

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SURVEY OBJECTIVES

Detection of insect or disease activity within St. Francis National Forest.

SURVEY RESULTS

Scattered throughout the forest were 16 single-tree spots of hardwoods with red or fading crowns. There were also 2 five-tree spots, 2 two-tree spots, and 1 three-tree spot of hardwoods with red or fading crowns (see attached map).

CONCLUSIONS

Insect and disease activity is presently at a low level in the St. Francis National Forest. Since the single-tree spots were scattered in the forest, they probably do not indicate any serious insect or disease problem. Field surveillance by National Forest personnel should be continued, and any unusual problems should be reported to Forest Insect and Disease Management at one of the addresses below:

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